

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT COMPLETION PER
RESOLUTION G-03-19, STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
GUIDELINES
WAIVER-06-28**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-06-28, for a twenty-month post fact extension request to February 28, 2007, for the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) Transportation Demand Management project described below.

ISSUE:

On August 8, 2002, the Department suballocated \$25,000 of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Rideshare funds to the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) for their Rideshare/Transportation Demand Management/Alternative Modes Program. This is a countywide outreach program to promote the use of alternative modes of transportation. The STIP Rideshare allocation is the required match for already obligated Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. To date, MCAG has spent 70 percent of the funds. Under STIP Guidelines, the deadline for expending these funds was June 30, 2005. MCAG received these funds in advance and believed a time extension was not required for this reason. MCAG is requesting an extension through February 28, 2007, to expend the remaining funds.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on December 11, 2003, stipulates the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.